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# **Louisiana Milk Production**

Louisiana dairies produced 168 million pounds of milk during the April-June 2001 quarter, down 11 percent from the same period in 2000. Milk cows averaged 56,000 head during the quarter, down 3 percent from last year.

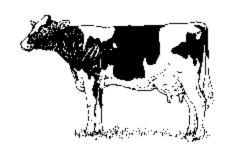
#### **United States Milk Production**

Milk production in the 20 major states during June totaled 12.0 billion pounds, down 0.5 percent from June 2000. May revised production, at 12.6 billion pounds, was down 0.9 percent from May 2000. The May revision represented a increase of 0.2 percent or 24 million pounds from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 20 major states averaged 1,552 pounds for June, 5 pounds above June 2000.

The number of cows on farms in the 20 major states was 7.75 million head, 61,000 head less than June 2000, but 2,000 head more than May 2001.

The quarterly production of milk for the U.S. was 42.6 billion pounds, 1.3 percent below the April-June period last year. The average number of milk cows in the U.S. during the April-June quarter was 9.12 million head, 89,000 head less than the same period last year.



Milk Production: Selected States. April-June 2000-2001

	· -	il - June Cows 1/	April - June Milk Production 2/			
<b>Selected States</b>	2000 2001		2000	2001		
	Thousands		Milli	Million Pounds		
Alabama	25	21	94	80		
Arkansas	42	40	141	130		
Louisiana	58	<b>56</b>	188	168		
Mississippi	36	36	144	139		
Oklahoma	91	90	331	336		
Tennessee	95	93	365	355		
Texas	350	332	1,556	1,379		
20 Major States 3/	7,808	7,747	37,251	36,819		
United States	9,213	9,124	43,189	42,627		

1/Includes dry cows. Excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/Excludes milk sucked by calves. 3/Arizona, California, Florida, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Mexico, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, Wisconsin.

# **United States Winter Wheat Production Down From Last Year**

**Winter wheat** acres for harvest as grain are forecast at 31.7 million, down 10 percent from 2000. Harvest progress in the 18 major producing states had reached 55 percent completion by July 1. This is 6 percentage points behind last year, but 10 points ahead of average.

Increased yields from last month's forecast were seen in most of the Hard Red Wheat (HRW) states. Head counts were down slightly from last month's Objective Yield survey in the six HRW states, (Colorado, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, Oklahoma, and Texas). Weight per head is up 17 percent from last month to near record levels due mainly to timely precipitation. Montana finally received some relief from the drought with rainfall across the state during the first half of June. Harvest progress in Kansas was near normal. In Nebraska, harvest was about one week behind normal on July 1. Favorable weather in Texas and Oklahoma allowed harvest to progress rapidly.

Harvested yields are better than previously expected in many of the Soft Red Wheat (SRW) states. Missouri, Kentucky, and Tennessee now expect record high yields. Collective head count forecasts are virtually unchanged in the SRW Objective Yield states (Illinois, Missouri, and Ohio), but average weight per head is up 12 percent from a month ago. Arkansas yield decline is due mainly to Hessian fly damage, which resulted in severe lodging when storms moved through during June.





**July 1 Crop Report, Winter Wheat** 

	Area Harvested		Yield		Production		
		Ind.		Ind.		Ind.	
<b>Selected States</b>	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	
	1,00	1,000 Acres		Bushels		1,000 Bushels	
Arkansas	1,100	970	54.0	48.0	59,400	46,560	
Colorado	2,350	2,050	29.0	35.0	68,150	71,750	
Kansas	9,400	8,400	37.0	39.0	347,800	327,600	
Louisiana	185	140	53.0	1/	9,805	1/	
Mississippi	235	185	55.0	50.0	12,925	9,250	
Oklahoma	4,200	3,800	34.0	32.0	142,800	121,600	
Texas	2,200	3,000	30.0	34.0	66,000	102,000	
United States	35,022	31,657	44.6	43.2	1,562,733	1,366,192	

1/ Will be available September 28, 2001.

# **United States Pecans**

	Utilized Production			Price Per Pound		
Variety	1998	1999	2000	1998	1999	2000
		1,000 Pounds			Dollars	
Improved Varieties 1/	0.500	7,000	10.000	0.074	0.070	0.000
Alabama	3,500	7,000	10,000	0.954	0.850	0.900
Arizona	13,000	22,800	14,500	1.590	1.190	1.310
Arkansas	300	1,500	650	1.150	0.620	1.000
California	1,700	1,900	3,400	1.660	1.270	1.520
Florida	200	1,100	1,200	1.100	0.900	1.050
Georgia	35,000	85,000	65,000	1.240	0.890	1.230
Louisiana	3,000	4,000	3,500	1.000	1.000	1.250
Mississippi	800	3,500	2,500	0.870	0.900	0.970
New Mexico	32,000	52,000	35,000	1.490	1.200	1.370
North Carolina	1,500	800	1,400	1.000	1.100	1.150
Oklahoma	200	3,000	200	1.220	0.880	1.300
South Carolina	800	1,800	1,200	1.240	0.840	1.110
Texas	20,000	35,000	22,000	1.300	1.000	1.300
United States	112,000	219,400	160,550	1.350	1.010	1.260
Native and Seedling						
Alabama	1,500	6,000	5,000	0.674	0.500	0.600
Arkansas	250	2,300	250	0.880	0.570	0.750
Florida	1,100	2,600	2,100	0.750	0.650	0.600
Georgia	5,000	35,000	15,000	1.110	0.590	0.980
Kansas	50	5,000	550	0.880	0.680	0.830
Louisiana	13,000	18,000	14,500	0.600	0.550	0.600
Mississippi	400	1,500	1,000	0.660	0.550	0.520
North Carolina	1,000	400	200	0.800	0.750	0.800
Oklahoma	1,800	60,000	2,300	0.680	0.550	0.800
South Carolina	300	900	400	1.020	0.750	0.920
Texas	10,000	55,000	8,000	0.850	0.600	0.750
United States	34,400	186,700	49,300	0.772	0.577	0.754
All Pecans						
Alabama	5,000	13,000	15,000	0.870	0.688	0.800
Arizona	13,000	22,800	14,500	1.590	1.190	1.310
Arkansas	550	3,800	900	1.030	0.590	0.931
California	1,700	1,900	3,400	1.660	1.270	1.520
Florida	1,300	3,700	3,300	0.804	0.724	0.764
Georgia	40,000	120,000	80,000	1.220	0.803	1.180
Kansas	50	5,000	550	0.880	0.680	0.830
Louisiana	16,000	22,000	18,000	0.675	0.632	0.726
Mississippi	1,200	5,000	3,500	0.800	0.795	0.841
New Mexico	32,000	52,000	35,000	1.490	1.200	1.370
North Carolina	2,500	1,200	1,600	0.920	0.983	1.110
Oklahoma	2,000	63,000	2,500	0.734	0.566	0.840
South Carolina	1,100	2,700	1,600	1.180	0.810	1.060
Texas	30,000	90,000	30,000	1.150	0.756	1.150
United States	146,400	406,100	209,850	1.210	0.814	1.140

1/Budded, grafted, or top worked varieties.

# **2000 Pecan Production Down**

Production of all **pecans** in the **United States** in 2000 totaled 209.9 million pounds, down 48 percent from 1999. Production of improved varieties, at 160.6 million pounds, was down 27 percent from the previous year, while the native and seedling output totaled 49.3 million pounds, compared to the 186.7 million pounds the previous year.

The average price of all pecans in the United States was \$1.14 per pound, up 32.6 cents from 1999.

The value of utilized production in the U.S. was \$239 million in 2000, down 28 percent from the previous year. Georgia led all States in value of pecan production with \$94.7 million, New Mexico was second with \$48.0 million and Texas was third with \$34.6 million.

Cropland Rented for Cash: Average Rent per Acre, by Region and State, 1997-2001

Region, State	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001		
and Land Type	Dollars						
Delta States 1/		57.00	59.20	62.00	64.00		
Arkansas 1/		70.00	67.00	69.00	67.00		
Irrigated	73.00	80.00	78.00	80.00	78.00		
Non-Irrigated	53.00	53.00	50.00	50.00	47.00		
Louisiana 1/		55.00	56.90	55.20	62.00		
Irrigated	70.60	70.00	70.00	70.00	74.00		
Non-Irrigated	48.00	49.00	49.60	51.90	56.00		
Mississippi 1/		55.60	58.00	61.00	62.00		
Irrigated	71.20	67.30	76.00	80.00	79.00		
Non-Irrigated	49.00	47.90	49.20	52.00	54.00		
United States 1/		66.50	67.50	70.00	71.00		

<sup>—</sup> Data not published. 1/All cropland average rent per acre.

Pasture Rented for Cash: Average Cash Rent per Acre, by Region and State, 1997-2001

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Region and	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001		
State	Dollars						
Delta States		15.00	13.90	13.80	15.50		
Arkansas 1/							
Louisiana	13.00	16.00	15.50	14.00	16.00		
Mississippi	16.40	14.50	13.50	14.00	16.00		

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